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"SIR GALAHAD"

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GLAD-IRIS GARDENS

Gladiolus, Iris and Dahlia Specialists

GROWERS AND ORIGINATORS

RALPH B. PIPER, PROPRIETOR BELTSVILLE, MARYLAND

GREETING TO OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS

It is with pleasure that we hand you our 1925 Iris Catalogue. We wish to thank you for your liberal patronage this past season. It has given us great pleasure to receive the many fine reports of your success with our bulbs and roots.

Our policy is to grow the choicest varieties of gladioli, irises and dahlias, discarding those that do not meet the highest standard of quality.

The climate and soil in this section is ideal for the production of strong, vigorous bulbs and roots. Our stock is of the highest quality and will grow and bloom in any section if cultural directions are followed.

Visitors are always welcome and those interestd in gladioli, irises and dahlias can select varieties when in bloom. We are located twelve miles from Washington, D. C., and twenty-eight miles from Baltimore, Md., on the main line of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. Our gardens are one-half mile south of Washington-Baltimore Boulevard at B. & O. R. R. Station, Beltsville, Md., and adjoin the U. S. Government Experimental Farm.

Your orders, whether large or small, will receive our best attention and we are confident that you will be pleased with our fine stock and liberal business methods. We are always glad to give information and we solicit your correspondence. Be sure and read our guarantee.

Sincerely yours,

GLAD-IRIS GARDENS.

TERMS OF SALE

All offerings are subject to prior sale.

We guarantee our stock to be true to name and stand ready to replace with two plants every one that blooms untrue or refund the amount received for same. We guarantee our stock to please you or your money refunded.

No order accepted for less than one dollar. Remittance must accompany all orders.

Postage prepaid on bulbs and roots sold at the single and dozen rates in the United States and Canada; at the 100 and 1000 rates will send by express collect.

REFERENCE

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NOTE—If you should receive an extra catalogue please hand to some friend or neighbor. Kindly send us the name and address of a few of your flower-loving acquaintances when sending your order and for your trouble we will send you a root of some variety of iris. If you are interested in Irises in quantity ask for our Special Iris Price List, which is now ready.

BEARDED IRISES

The numbers at the left are the American Iris Society ratings. In the description of varieties, S. signifies the standards F. the falls.

- 83. AFTERGLOW (Sturtevant)—Misty lavender lit with yellow at center; 40 inches. \$1.00 each.
- 79. ALBERT VICTOR—Light hyssop violet, half veined brownish purple; growth vigorous; over 3 feet. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 89. ALCAZAR (Vilmorin)—Dark red-violet and lavender on tall, well branched stalks; 42 inches. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25.
- 78. AMAS—Large early flowers on well branched stalks. S. light hyssop violet; F. smooth, petunia violet. Growth vigorous; 30 inches. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 94. AMBASSADEUR (Vilmorin)—Large flowers of great substance; S. bronzy violet; F. velvety carmine purple. \$1.75 each.
- 84. ANNA FARR (Farr)—White delicately frilled with violet, flowers of exceptional form; 3 feet. \$1.25 each.
- 83. ARCHEVEQUE (Vilmorin)—S. deep, velvety violet; F. dark, velvety purple; 2 feet. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25.
- 78. ARNOLS (Barr)—S. slate purple flushed saccardos umber; F. dusky auricula purple veined burnt umber; 3 feet. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 74. AUREA (Jacques)—A clear chrome yellow self. Low and well branched; 30 inches. 25c each, 3 for 50c.
- 71. BLUE JAY (Farr)—S. light violet; F. veined and shaded dark violet; 30 inches. 25c each. 3 for 50c.
- 75. CAPRICE (Vilmorin)—Phlox purple flowers; falls flaring; stalk short and widely branched; growth vigorous; 20 inches. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 89. CATERINA (Foster)—Large, lavender blue and lilac flowers on tall well branched stalks; 4 feet. 75c each.

- 71. CELESTE (Lemon)—Flowers of clear azure blue with suggestions of clear white throughout; 30 inches. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 86. CLUNY Large flowers of pale lavender violet; growth vigorous; 3 feet. \$1.50 each.
- 79. CRIMSON KING—The flowers of this variety are the same rich deep purple color as Kochii, the flowers are larger and stalks taller. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 87. CRUSADER (Foster)—Large flowers of fine substance of a beautiful violet blue color; 40 inches. \$1.50 each.
- 75. DALMARIUS (Goos and Koenneman)—S. Grayish lavender; F. deeper lavender; 2 feet. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 78. DAWN (Yeld)—Pale marguerite yellow deepening toward center; 27 inches. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25.
- 74. DR. BERNICE—S. bronze yellow; F. maroon red; 2 feet. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 78. ELDORADO (Vilmorin) A blending of eupatorium purple, sorghum brown, and violet purple on an aniline yellow ground; 30 inches. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25.
- 80. FAIRY (Kennicott) White, delicately bordered with pale blue. Tall and fragrant; 40 inches. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 70. FLAVESCENS (De Candolle)—An old sweet-scented variety of pale yellow color; 30 inches. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 76. FLORENTINA Early; fragrant; white tinged lavender; 30 inches. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 73. HER MAJESTY (Perry)—S. clear rose pink; F. same color heavily veined crimson; 2 feet. 25 cents each; 3 for 50c.
- 71. INNOCENZA (Lemon)—An old but good white variety. 25c each; 3 for 50c.

- 78. IRIS KING (Goos and Koenneman)—S. buff yellow, F. rich velvety maroon bordered yellow; 2 feet. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25.
- 86. ISOLINE (Vilmorin)—S. pale pinkish buff; F. coppery old rose. A beautiful blend hard to describe. The straight hanging falls give the flower a long appearance; 3 feet. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25.
- 70. JACQUESIANA (Lemon)—S. bronzy lilac red; flaring falls of rich purple red; 3 feet. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 78. JEANNE D'ARC (Verdier)—White frilled lilac; 3 feet. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- JULIA MARLOWE (Shull) A stately flower with the pink tones of Chinese violet and raisin purple. The flower is very large, borne on tall well branched stalk, over 40 inches. \$10.00 each.
- 81. JUNIATA (Farr)—A clear blue self. Large flowers on very tall stalks; growth vigorous; 42 inches. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 74. KHARPUT—A large early variety S. violet; F. deeper shade; 30 inches. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 78. KOCHII—Very rich coloring of deep blackish purple; early; 2 feet. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 82. LENT A. WILLIAMSON (Williamson)—Flowers massive of exceptional substance. S. broad, lavender violet; F. broad and drooping, velvety violet purple. Flowers shaded yellow toward center. Growth vigorous; 42 inches. \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.75.
- 82. LOHENGRIN (Goos and Koenneman)—Color of uniform soft cattleya rose; growth vigorous; 3 feet. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 91. LORD OF JUNE (Yeld)— Large fragrant flowers; S. floppy, of lavender blue; F. long, of lavender violet; stems well branched; 42 inches. \$1.50 each.

- 79. LORELEY (Goos and Koenneman)—Flowers of martius yellow; falls bordered raisin purple which is often splashed on standards; growth vigorous; 30 inches. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 73. MANDRALISCAE Early, flowers of rich lavender purple; 3 feet. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 81. MA MIE (Cayeux) Clear white frilled violet blue; 3 feet. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25.
- 74. MME. CHEREAU (Lemon)—White widely margined lavender violet. An old favorite; 3 feet. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- MORNING SPLENDOR (Shull)—S. petunia violet; F. raisin purple. Very rich in color and considered by many that have seen it in bloom to be the best American Iris. A tall vigorous grower. 3 feet. \$10.00 each.
- 84. MONSIGNOR (Vilmorin)—S. violet; F. heavily veined a deeper purple. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 82. MT. PENN (Farr)—S. lilac; F. cricason purple, the whole flower with undertone of yellow; 30 inches. 50c each: 3 for \$1.25.
- 89. NINE WELLS (Foster) S. lavender violet; F. deep velvety purple. Large flowers borne on heavy stems; 40 inches. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25.
- 95. PALLIDA DALMATICA—This is the true Princess Beatrice Strain. Large flowers of clear lavender blue. Growth tall and vigorous; 40 inches. 25c; 3 for 50c.
- 81. PARC DE NEUHLY (Verdier)—Flowers large of rich deep purple; 20 inches. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25.
- 81. PARC DE NEUILLY (Verdier)—Flowers large of rich deep purple; 30 inches. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25.

- 79. PARISIANA Vilmorin) S. thickly netted purple on white ground; F. creamy white margined purple; 30 inches. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25.
- 75. PAULINE (Farr)—Large flowers of pansy violet; 3 feet. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 78. PERFECTION (Barr)—S. light lavender violet; F. very deep velvety blue purple; 3 feet. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 77. POCAHONTAS (Farr)—White widely bordered lavender violet; 30 inches. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25.
- 80. POWHATAN (Farr)—A fine red purple self; 3 feet. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 72. PRINCESS VICTORIA LOUISE (Goos and Koenneman)—S. light yellow; F. purplish rose, bordered pale yellow; 2 feet. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 83. PROSPER LAUGIER (Verdier)—S. light cinnamon drab with a pinkish sheen; F. velvety carmine; 3 feet. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25.
- PROSPERO (Yeld) A large dulled violet bicolor with smoothly rounded falls; 4 feet. \$1.75 each.
- 84. QUAKER LADY, (Farr) S. smoky lavender; F. blue and old gold; 27 inches. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 91. QUEEN CATERINA (Sturtevant)—A large iridescent pale lavender violet that has proven most popular; 3 feet. \$1.50 each.
- 74. QUEEN OF MAY—Soft rose lilac giving a decided pink effect; 30 inches. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 78. RED CLOUD (Farr)---Flowers red lavender with a tinge of bronze; 2 feet. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25.
- 84. RHEIN NIXE (Goos and Koenneman)—S. white; F. purple bordered white. A tall strong grower; 40 inches. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 76. SHERWIN WRIGHT (Kohankie)—Flowers small but produced freely giving fine effect in mass. Color clear deep golden yellow. Strong grower; 2 feet. 25c each; 3 for 50c.

- SIR GALAHAD (Shull) Very large and handsome flowers of mauve and pansy violet carried on sturdy well branched stalks; fragrant; vigorous grower; 3 feet. \$10.00 each.
- 87. SHEKINAH (Sturtevant) Flowers pale lemon yellow shaded deeper at center. One of the finest yellow Irises; 3 ft. \$1.25 each.
- 93. SOUV. DE MME. GAUDI-CHAU (Millet)—S. violet blue; F. deep velvety purple. Large flowers of fine substance; growth vigorous; 3 feet. \$2.50 each.
- 78. SWATARA (Farr)—S. blue with yellow undertone; F. violet; conspicuous orange beard; 30 inches. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25.
- 75. TINEAE Pale lavender flowers, much like pallida dalmatica but blooms a few days earlier; 40 inches. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- TROPIC SEAS (Shull)—A sister plant to Morning Splendor, having a rich blue general effect. S. Dauphins violet; F. velvety mulberry purple, with rich golden beard. Large fragrant flowers; 45 inches. \$10.00 each.
- 80. VIOLACEA GRANDIFLORA
 —A deep lavender self. A fine late
 flowering Iris. Strong grower and
 free bloomer; 3 feet. 25c each; 3 for
 50c.
- 80. VIRGINIA MOORE (Shull)—S. bright yellow; F. yellow slightly veined; 30 inches. A fine yellow when well established. \$1.00 each.
- 83. WHITE KNIGHT (Saunders)—A pure white iris with only slight reticulations at the haft; 2 feet. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25.
- 73. WINDHAM (Farr) Flowers of pale purplish rose with a thin veining of purple in the falls; 2 feet. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25.
- 72. WYOMISSING (Farr)—S. Creamy white suffused soft rose; F. deep rose; 30 inches. 25c each; 3 for 50c.
- 75. ZUA (Crawford) Delicate lavender white ruffled like fine crepe; early and fragrant; 18 inches. \$1.00 each.

SPECIAL OFFERS

- No. 1. Collection of any six varieties listed at twenty-five cents each for \$1.25; twelve for \$2.25; fifteen for \$2.75; sent post paid.
- No. 2. Mixture of ten or more varieties, surplus from some of our best standard varieties. \$5.00 per 100. Sent F. O. B. Beltsville, Md.
- No. 3. Mixture of ten or more varieties of good hardy irises suitable for mixed borders or for naturalizing. \$3.00 per 100. Sent F. O. B. Beltsville, Md.

No. 4. Choice Mixed Seedlings in great variety of color. \$5.00 per 100. Sent F. O. B. Beltsville, Md.

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Choice Mixed—\$1.50 per dozen; \$10.00 per 100.

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Following are Extracts from a few of the many letters received from Satisfied Customers:

- O. H. M., Tufts College, Mass., writes: "Last year I got from you some roots of Iris Wyomissing which have pleased me very much this spring."
- E. L. M., Washington, D. C., writes: "I want to thank you for the lovely Iris I ordered from you last summer. Nearly all of them bloomed, and my garden has been and is still lovely."
- C. V. C., Danville, Va., writes: "The Pallida Dalmatica iris came in fine condition and they certainly were fine roots you sent us."

- G. C. M., Madison, Wis., writes: "I had good luck from the stock received from you last fall."
- A. V., Schenectady, N. Y., writes: "I must say that I am very much pleased with the iris shipment. Will you please arrange to keep my name on your mailing list.
- "I am very sure that judging from the shipment I received, it will be a pleasure to send you another order as soon as we have more ground ready for planting."

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CULTURAL DIRECTIONS

IRIS

The iris is easy of culture and not particular as to soil; but for best results a well drained and sunny situation should be selected. If the soil is inclined to be acid a light dressing of lime should be applied. Bone meal when used in the fall or when transplanting is a safe and the best fertilizer. Do not use manure.

Plant so that the top of rhizome is barely covered with soil. Iris can be transplanted any time when the ground is not frozen. If planted in July and August the plants become established before winter and should give bloom the following spring. Japanese iris should not be planted later than September 1st unless given some protection. The first winter protect the new plantings with a light covering of straw to revent the rhizomes from being heaved out of the ground when thawing.

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